



# Franklin City Newsletter

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## City Officials

*Thomas M. Taylor, Mayor*  
425-7500

*Steve Olson, Ald. District 1*  
425-9060

*Tim Solomon, Ald. District 2*  
529-2355

*Alan Hammelman, Ald. District 3*  
430-4580 or 421-3451

*Pete Kosovich, Ald. District 4*  
761-0888

*Lyle Sohns, Ald. District 5*  
687-0572

*Ken Skowronski, Ald. District 6*  
425-5541 or 425-2034

## City Departments

Administration.....	858-1100
Assessor.....	425-1416
Building Inspection.....	425-0084
City Clerk.....	425-7500
City Hall.....	425-7500
City Development.....	425-4024
Engineering.....	425-7510
Fire Department.....	425-1420
Health Department.....	425-9101
Human Resources.....	858-9392
Library.....	425-8214
Municipal Court.....	425-4768
Parks.....	425-7500
Planning Department.....	425-4024
Police Department.....	425-2522
Public Works.....	425-2592
Recreation.....	423-4646
Sewer & Water.....	421-2613
Treasury.....	425-4770

**EMERGENCIES-CALL 911**

[www.franklinwi.gov](http://www.franklinwi.gov)

## Mayor's 2008 Recommended Budget

Mayor Taylor's recommended budget reduced 2008 requests from City departments by \$744,487. The City's current tax rate of \$5.57 per thousand of assessed value, which is one of the lowest in Milwaukee County, is recommended to be adjusted to \$5.75, or an increase of \$0.18 per thousand of assessed value.

### Surrounding Cities—Municipal Tax Rates 2006 Survey

Municipality	Population	2006 Assessed Municipal Rate	2006 Equalized Ratio	2006 Equalized Municipal Rate
West Allis	60,300	8.3700	0.986339798	8.26
St. Francis	8,892	9.4100	0.858804693	8.08
Milwaukee	590,370	8.0000	0.944689302	7.56
S. Milwaukee	22,400	9.2800	0.771090051	7.16
Cudahy	18,300	7.4545	0.953294019	7.11
Wauwatosa	46,120	6.4800	0.998233601	6.47
Greenfield	36,150	7.8900	0.797144113	6.29
Greendale	14,040	6.5200	0.952809319	6.21
Oak Creek	32,104	6.9500	0.861225495	5.99
Franklin	32,548	5.5700	1.011177405	5.63
Menomonee Falls	32,647	5.1100	0.961886708	4.92
New Berlin	38,220	5.0500	0.929948641	4.70
Brookfield	39,740	5.0780	0.912732182	4.63
Muskego	22,630	4.6100	0.927378708	4.28

*Prepared by City of Franklin Finance Office*

The impact of the tax rate adjustment on a home valued at \$250,000 would be an increase in City taxes of \$44.35. Over the last 5 years, the City portion of the property tax grew by a total of 3.32%, or an average of only .66% per year. By holding the line, the recommended budget will once again qualify for an additional payment from the State's "Expenditure Restraint Program". In 2008, the City's share of this State pool of money is expected to be \$244,000. While the Mayor could have recommended more of an increase in the tax levy due to growth, he chose instead to put forward a conservative budget request. The recommended budget keeps the tax levy revenue increase to 74% of the amount available under the Governor's levy limits.

The recommended 2008 City of Franklin budget reflects the continued growth in the community and the continued restraint by operating departments. New development will fund over 40% of the increase in property tax collections, contributing an additional 2.4% of collections overall. Below is a summary of the more significant items incorporated into the recommended budget:

- Maintains Police Department staffing to the authorized level of police officers and includes a small increase in overtime. The budget is designed to keep crime low and to ensure that adequate police protection is available to support the City's efforts in fighting issues related to sexual predator legislation.
- Continues the funding for the additional firefighter added in 2007 to enable the department to reduce overtime and improve response times during emergencies.
- Continues the support of the Franklin Public Library and its programs and staff.
- Establishes a pilot project in the Parks Department with a part-time position and contracted cleaning and mowing in the pilot area.
- Provides for an additional snow plow route, to keep up with the expansion in roadways, by sharing staff of the Sewer and Water Department.

*(See Budget—Continued on Page 8)*

## TRICK OR TREAT

Halloween Trick or Treat observance for the City of Franklin will be:

**Sunday, October 28th, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.**





## Brush & Leaf Pickup

The Fall "Brush and Leaf" pickup will take place the first Monday of November (5th) and December (3rd). The City's waste hauler will move through the City starting at 7 a.m. on these designated days and work through the week until they are finished. **All brush piles and bagged leaves are required to be curbside and next to the driveway by 7 a.m. on these designated dates.** Brush and bagged leaves that are not out or are not compliant with regulations when the hauler goes by will not be picked up at a later date. Your regular garbage will be picked up on your normal garbage pickup day.

### Pickup will include:

- Brush (tree limbs, bush cuttings, and similar) cut to no longer than 5 feet in length and no larger than 6 inches in diameter. Each household is limited to **one pile not more than 4 feet long by 4 feet high and 5 feet deep. Larger piles, multiple piles, and brush thrown in the ditch will not be picked up. All piles are to be placed curbside next to the driveway.**
- Leaves, in bags or other containers (no garbage cans or white bags) that can be placed or emptied into the collection truck. Please place bagged leaves away from your regular trash so it will not be missed. **PLEASE NOTE: City Code 218.54 prohibits dumping onto City streets. Leaves are not to be raked into the street.**
- All brush piles and bags of leaves must be free of snow so they are visible and accessible for the hauler.
- No grass clippings, flowers, stumps, fruit, roots, or other garden debris will be accepted. These items, as well as the brush and leaves, may be disposed of at the Waste Management Metro Landfill.

## Just a Reminder . . .



### Recycling Center

The Recycling Center is located at 7979 W. Ryan Road and is open to Franklin residents Monday-Saturday from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. Call 425-2592 for further information. **Please Note: Yard waste & household trash are NOT accepted at this location.**

### Metro Landfill

All yard debris or household trash may be taken to Waste Management Metro Landfill at 12200 W. South County Line Road. This site is open free of charge to Franklin residents with identification on Wednesdays, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and Saturdays, 7 a.m.-12 Noon. Please call 529-6180 for more information.

### Hazardous Waste

Environmentally harmful substances and dangerous chemicals can be disposed of at Veolia Environmental Services located at 10518 S. 124th Street. This site is open to Milwaukee County residents on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m., and Saturdays from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. Please call Veolia Environmental at 262-255-6655 or MMSD at 414-225-2066 for further information.

## **\*\*IMPORTANT REMINDER\*\*** **All Night Parking Regulations**

All night parking regulations are in effect from November 1 to April 1. During this period, no person shall park any vehicle on any street in the City between 2 a.m. and 7 a.m., Mondays through Saturdays, and between 3 a.m. and 7 a.m. on Sundays (except physicians on emergency calls).

## Automatic Payment Option for Paying Sewer and Water Bills

The City of Franklin has added a new Automatic Payment Option as a means for customers to pay their sewer and water bills. This payment option relieves you from having to take the time to write a check, put it in the mail, or find the time to drop off your sewer and water bill payment. No matter where you are or how busy your life is, your payment will always be on time!

### How it works:

Sign-up is easy! An Authorization Form must be filled out, signed, and returned along with a voided or canceled blank check to the City of Franklin Treasury Office at 9229 W. Loomis Road. As soon as your bill includes the message "Do Not Pay-A Pre-authorized ACH Withdrawal Will Be Taken", we will take care of the rest until you tell us to stop. Your payment will automatically be deducted from your bank account seven days prior to the specified due date. Each quarter you will receive your quarterly services bill with the charges to your account.

The Authorization Form, along with more detailed information, can be acquired from the Treasury Office at Franklin City Hall or on the City's website at <http://www.franklinwi.gov/display/router.aspx?DocID=330>.

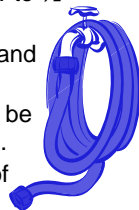


## Open Burning Permits Required

The Fall "open burning" season begins October 15th and runs through November 30th. Permits are required and may be purchased from the City Clerk's Office at 9229 W. Loomis Road during regular business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The cost of a permit is \$15 and is valid for the spring and fall burning seasons.

### Rules for Open Air Burning of Brush and Garden Refuse

1. The wind velocity can not exceed 9 miles per hour.
2. Contents can only include leaves, brush, and other garden refuse. Burning of building materials is not permitted.
3. Size of the pile shall not exceed 4 feet in width or 3 feet in height.
4. A competent person, at least 16 years of age, shall constantly supervise the fire until it is extinguished.
5. The fire shall be a minimum of 50 feet from buildings and 25 feet from any public roadways, highways, or other thoroughfare.
6. If smoke travels in such a manner to obscure any public roadway, highway, or other public thoroughfare, the fire shall be extinguished.
7. Open air burning is only permitted from 7 a.m. to ½ hour after sunset.
8. Burning is permitted from April 1 to June 15 and October 15 to November 30.
9. Flammable or combustible liquids shall not be used to ignite or accelerate the fire at any point.
10. All fires must have the proper means of extinguishment available at all times.



Recreational fires such as campfires are allowed and do not require a permit, however, the above rules (with the exception of 7 and 8) must be followed.

# COMMUNITY EVENTS

## DIVAS & DIVINE



*An evening of music and delicious desserts*

**Franklin Public Library  
Saturday, November 17  
6:30 – 8 p.m.**

**Tickets: \$12 in advance  
\$15 at the door**

*Proceeds benefit the Friends of the  
Franklin Public Library & the  
Franklin Cultural Arts Center*

*Sponsored by:  
Wauwatosa Savings Bank &  
Associated Surgical & Medical Specialists*

**Tickets on sale now at:**  
*www.FranklinCulturalCenter.org,  
The Franklin Public Library,  
or by phone at 525-0009*

## Lunch With Santa!

**Saturday, December 1st  
11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

**Franklin High School Cafeteria  
8222 S. 51st Street**

**\$5 Per Person**

**Menu:** Hot Dog, Chips, Cookie  
& Orange Drink

**SURPRISES!**

**SING-A-LONGS!**

**BRING YOUR CAMERA FOR  
A PICTURE WITH SANTA!**



Please make checks payable to: Franklin Events Committee and mail to P.O. Box 320457, Franklin, WI 53132. Deadline for event is November 23rd.

*For more information please call  
Roseann Lewandowski at 414-761-2482 or  
Sue Herman at 414-525-9283.*

## City of Franklin's Annual Tree Lighting Event

**Sunday, December 2nd  
5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**

*Franklin Public Library  
9151 W. Loomis Road*



**\*Refreshments  
\*Christmas Caroling  
\*Visit by Santa Claus**



*A great way to get into the holiday spirit!*

## Our Gift of Wellness To You

*Third Annual Holiday Program*

**Thursday, December 13, 2007  
6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

**Franklin Public Library  
9151 W. Loomis Road**

**Refreshments, Motivational Speaker,  
Chair Massages, Staci Joers Cooking  
Presentation, Holiday Music, and  
Quilt Raffle!**

**Registration begins 10 a.m. on November 8th—  
Sign up in person at the Library or call 425-8214.**

*Sponsored by Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare,  
Friends of the Franklin Public Library, and the  
Franklin Health Department*

## Jingle Bell Jazz

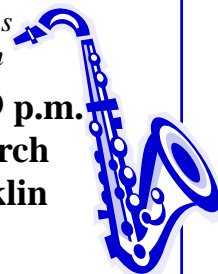
*Franklin Cultural Art Center's  
5th Annual Holiday Program*

**Friday, December 14, 7—9 p.m.  
St. Martin of Tours Church  
7963 116th Street, Franklin**

**Tickets:**

**Seniors & Students: \$10/\$12 at the Door  
All Others: \$12/\$15 at the Door**

**Tickets on sale now at  
www.FranklinCulturalCenter.org or call 525-0009.**







# DIAL 9-1-1 FOR ALL EMERGENCIES!

Fire Dept. Non-Emergency—425-1420

Police Dept. Non-Emergency—425-2522



## Annual Spaghetti Dinner to Benefit Charities

Sponsored by:  
Franklin Professional Firefighters & the  
Franklin Police Officers Association



**Thursday, October 18th, 4 to 8 p.m.**

**Root River Center  
7220 W. Rawson Avenue, Franklin**

<b>Cost:</b>	<b>13 &amp; Over</b>	<b>\$8</b>
	<b>Children 6 to 12</b>	<b>\$6</b>
	<b>Children Under 5</b>	<b>FREE</b>

**Call 425-1420 for tickets & information!**

## Halloween Safety

Halloween is a fun time for kids, but it is also an important time to be extra vigilant for possible safety hazards. Follow these tips to ensure a safe Halloween!



### Costume safety

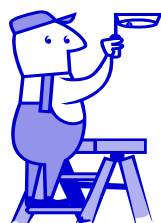
- Choose a costume made of flame retardant material.
- Costumes should be short enough so as not to cause your child to trip and fall.
- For good visibility, add some reflective tape to the costume or bag that is used to carry candy or make/choose a costume made of bright material that is visible in the dark.
- Masks should fit securely and allow your child to see well and not hinder visibility.
- If using face paint, make sure it is nontoxic and hypoallergenic.
- Knives, swords, and other props should be made of a flexible material so that they do not pose a hazard if fallen upon.

### Trick-or-Treating safety

- Younger children should be supervised by an adult when trick-or-treating. Older children should trick-or-treat in large groups in well known neighborhoods.
- Carry a flashlight.
- Stick to well lit houses in familiar neighborhoods only.
- Avoid taking shortcuts across backyards or alleys. Stick to the sidewalks of well lit streets.
- Follow traffic signals and rules of the road.
- Drive slowly.

### Candy safety

- Instruct children to bring all candy home before eating it so that it can be carefully inspected for tampering. To help prevent children from munching, give them a snack or light meal before they go—don't send them out on an empty stomach.
- Tell children not to accept and especially not to eat anything that isn't commercially wrapped.
- Throw out candy or treats that are homemade, unwrapped, or appear to have been tampered with (pinholes in wrappers, torn wrappers, etc.)
- Parents of young children should remove any choking hazards such as gum, peanuts, hard candies, or small toys.
- Wash all fresh fruit thoroughly, inspect it for holes, including small punctures, and cut it open before allowing children to eat it.



## Smoke Detectors & Pizza— A Great Combination!

On **Thursday, October 25**, between the hours of 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. the Franklin Fire Department will be delivering pizzas from **Crossroads II Pizza & Subs**, 11357 West St. Martins Road, 414-525-9922. If the Fire Department delivers your pizza and you have a working smoke detector in your home, one pizza of your order will be on Crossroads. If the Fire Department delivers your pizza and you do not have a working smoke detector in your home, the Franklin Fire Department will install one for you. ***This offer is for call-in orders only. Unfortunately, NOT ALL pizzas will be delivered by the Fire Department and, therefore, are not eligible for the giveaway. Due to the high volume of requests and the limitations of the Fire Department, if the Fire Department is out on another delivery, your order will be regular price.***

## Chimney Check!

Cooler Wisconsin weather means toasty fireplaces! Before you light up your fireplace, please make sure your chimney is clean and free from dangerous build-up from last year's fires. A clean chimney will prevent smoke from backing up into your house and help prevent chimney fires. When cleaning your fireplace and chimney, do not place the ashes in a combustible container like plastic or paper bags. **Always carry ashes in a metal container and do not store the ashes in your house or garage.**



## Change Your Clock . . . Change Your Batteries!



Interstate's All Battery Center & the Franklin Fire Department are giving you a FREE smoke detector battery. Present this coupon at Franklin Fire Station #1, 8901 W. Drexel, and receive 1 free smoke detector 9-volt battery!



# Your Health Matters

Franklin Health Department, 425-9101, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.  
(Clinics held 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.)



## Schedule Your Flu Vaccine

The best time to get your flu vaccination is late October thru December. Protection from the flu vaccine begins 2 weeks after it is given and lasts 6 or more months. The flu season begins late December, peaks the month of February, and lasts throughout April. Thus, if given too soon, you won't be protected when you need it most!

### Children:

- City of Franklin residents **6 months of age and older** are eligible for flu vaccine.
- Children less than 9 years of age need 2 doses if they have not received the vaccine in previous years or if they received only 1 dose in their first year of vaccination.
- The vaccination fee for children 6 months through 18 years of age is \$10 for those requiring 1 dose and \$15 for those requiring 2 doses.



### Adult:

The vaccine fee is \$25 for adults 19 and over.

### Seniors:

- For seniors 65 and older, Medicare covers the cost of this vaccine.
- Seniors with a HMO should receive their vaccine through their provider. If you choose to receive your vaccine at the Franklin Health Department, there is a cost of \$25.
- For any claims rejected by Medicare, clients will be billed. Seniors must bring their Medicare insurance card.

### Adult Flu Clinic Dates, Times, and Location

Wednesday, October 31, 2007	1 p.m.-4:45 p.m.	City Hall
Thursday, November 15, 2007	1 p.m.-4:45 p.m.	City Hall
Thursday, December 6, 2007	10 a.m.-2 p.m.	City Hall

### Children and Parents Flu Clinic Dates, Times, and Location

Wed., October 24, 2007	9 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	Health wing
Wed., November 7, 2007	2:30 p.m.-4:45 p.m.	Health wing
Wed., November 21, 2007	2:30 p.m.-4:45 p.m.	Health wing
Wed., November 28, 2007	9 a.m.-12:15 p.m.	Health wing
Wed., December 5, 2007	2:30 p.m.-4:45 p.m.	Health wing
Wed., December 19, 2007	2:30 p.m.-4:45 p.m.	Health wing

**All clinics are by appointment—call the Franklin Health Department at 425-9101!**

## Where can you turn for help to feed your families?

The Franklin Health Department is available to help families find appropriate resources to meet the needs of their families. Please call the Health Department at 425-9101.



## Accept the Great American Smokeout Challenge

**November 15, 2007**

Quitting smoking is not easy, but it can be done. To have the best chance of successfully quitting, you need to know what you're up against, what your options are, and where to go for help. The right mix of support, advice, and possibly medicine can help you quit for good, even if you've tried and failed in the past. **For more information and FREE help, call the Wisconsin Tobacco QuitLine at 1-800-784-8669.**



## When it Comes to Lead Paint, Knowledge is Power



One Sunday afternoon I stood in line at a popular retail store to purchase a bath toy for my two year old child. The clerk swiped the toy across the scanner and the machine erupted with a loud beep. The clerk read the message on the machine and promptly placed the toy under the counter stating, "I can't sell this to you". When I asked the clerk what the problem was, she only knew that the toy was being recalled. Stunned, I walked out of the store without a toy for my child.

A week later newspaper and television stories cautioned consumers about toys made in China that were coated in toxic lead paint. What frightened me the most was the thought, "What if I had purchased that toy before there was an official recall and my daughter put it in her mouth?"

If you own a toy or jewelry item and want to know if it was recalled or contains elevated lead levels, visit the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services website at [www.dhfs.state.wi.us](http://www.dhfs.state.wi.us) and click on "Lead" under "Topics" for current information on product recalls.



What the newspapers did **NOT** tell you in their articles, however, is that most lead contaminants are not found on childhood toys but rather on your **walls, floors, and window sills, especially in houses built before 1950**. The Franklin Health Department has public health nurses on staff who are certified as lead hazard investigators that can come to your house to perform simple screenings that would identify lead paint. They can inform you of safe and approved methods on how to reduce or eliminate the chances that your child could be affected by toxic lead. It is also strongly recommended that infants be screened for lead by the family doctor during routine examinations.

**For more information on lead paint and household screenings, contact Kim Kringel, RN, at 414-427-7534.**

# The Library Story

Monday-Thursday 10-8:30, Friday & Saturday 10-5, Sundays 1-4 ♦ 425-8214 ♦ Barb Roark, Director



## Barnes & Noble Bookfair Voucher Supporting

*Franklin Public Library*

Saturday, November 3rd

9 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Barnes & Noble  
4935 S. 76th Street

Simply present this voucher  
at the cash register at  
the time of purchase.  
A percentage of the  
net sale will be donated  
to your organization.\*

### OFFICE USE ONLY

Register #: \_\_\_\_\_ Transaction #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount of sale before tax less purchases of Gift  
Cards, Membership Cards, and Café consumables.  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*THE FOLLOWING TRANSACTIONS ARE NOT INCLUDED IN BOOKFAIR  
TOTALS: THE PURCHASE OF GIFT CARDS, MEMBERSHIP CARDS,  
AND CAFÉ CONSUMABLES. NON-PROFIT AND BUSINESS ACCOUNT  
DISCOUNTS MAY NOT BE APPLIED TO BOOKFAIR PURCHASES.

## Playaways are Here!

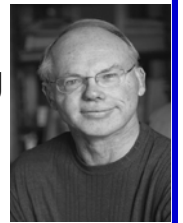
Playaways are now available at the Franklin Public Library! The new Playaway books are a self-contained, preloaded digital audio player in themselves—a tape or cd player is no longer needed. The players are about half the size of a deck of playing cards and have their own external buttons which allow users to control playback and volume. Users can also control the speed of the narrator's voice and place "bookmarks" to mark favorite passages. Users can listen to the Playaway device through headphones, or using optional equipment through external speakers or car stereos. Playaways run on one AAA battery and can contain an audio program up to 24 hours long. They offer the user complete portability and are easy to use. Many of the latest titles and most popular authors (both fiction and non-fiction) are available in this format as well as many well-loved classics such as The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, Pride and Prejudice, and several of Shakespeare's plays. New offerings are being made available each month. Come check out the new Playaways!

## Book Fair at Barnes & Noble

The Franklin Public Library is hosting a Book Fair at the Barnes & Noble Bookstore on S. 76th Street on **Saturday, November 3rd, from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m.** Bring along the adjacent voucher and purchase books and gifts for the holidays. The Franklin Public Library will receive a percentage of the profits to be used to purchase new materials. You can also purchase books from the Library's "Wish List" that will be on display at the store. The Library will receive the "wish list" books as well as the profits from the sale of the books. Help support the Library while you shop for the holidays! Please use the coupon with this newsletter. Additional coupons are available at the Franklin Public Library.

## "They Came to Bowl" Presentation & Book Signing

**October 24, 2007—7 p.m.  
Franklin Public Library**



**Doug Schmidt**, Franklin resident and author of the new book *"They Came to Bowl: How Milwaukee Became America's Tenpin Capital"*, will discuss his book about the lively history of bowling, its German roots, and just how Milwaukee got bowled over by bowling! Mr. Schmidt will also be signing copies of his book, which will be available for sale at the program.

**Advance praise for "They Came to Bowl"** . . . *"Facing a formidable task in writing a history of bowling in Milwaukee, Doug Schmidt rolls a perfect game. From the founders, through the boom years, and to the declining popularity of leagues, Doug's extensive research not only pays tribute to the greats of the sport but reveals the causes behind its fluctuations in popularity. All the names are there and revisiting them brought back a flood of pleasant memories for this reader."* ~Hank Stoddard, Retired Sports Director, WTMJ Milwaukee.

## Children's Book Week

Since 1919, educators, librarians, booksellers, and families have celebrated **Children's Book Week** during the week before Thanksgiving. This year Children's Book Week is scheduled for November 12th through November 18th. The theme for the 88th annual observance of Children's Book Week is *"Rise Up Reading!"* A celebration of the written word, Children's Book Week introduces young people to new authors and ideas in schools, libraries, homes, and bookstores. The Franklin Public Library will be celebrating Children's Book Week with special activities. More information will be available as the date approaches.

## Wisconsin Public Library Statistics

The Department of Public Instruction's Public Library Development Team (PLDT) annually collects statistics from Wisconsin's 388 public libraries and 17 public library systems. Excel and PDF files of the latest statistics for 2006 are now available at <http://dpi.wi.gov/pld/dm-lib-stat.html>. The files include over 115 data elements grouped by general categories. The Franklin Public Library is part of these statistics and is part of the Milwaukee County Federated Library System (MCFLS).

## Winter Story Time Sign-up

Sign-up for the Winter sessions of *Nursery Rhyme Time*, *Lapsitters*, and *Storytime* will be **Tuesday, December 4th, for Franklin residents and Wednesday, December 5th, for all others.**

**Register in person or by calling 425-8214.**





# The City Applauds ...



Congratulations to **Sacred Heart School of Theology** on their 75th Anniversary (1932-2007) of educating and preparing men for ordained ministry! A dedicated band of men filled with vision and courage laid the following foundation for the Sacred Heart School of Theology that continues yet today.

**1932** A house of studies began in Hales Corners, Wisconsin, at Sacred Heart Monastery, beginning the major seminary program that continues today.

**1933** Sacred Heart Monastery was recognized as the major seminary for the Priests of the Sacred Heart North American Province.

**1942** Benedictine Sisters from Sacred Heart convent in South Dakota came to work at Sacred Heart Monastery until 1974.

**1944** Two years of liberal arts were added to the 2 years of philosophy creating a 4-year college program.

**1955** Sacred Heart devoted itself solely to theological studies as the college program moved to Kilroe Seminary in Pennsylvania.

**1965** Sacred Heart Monastery became a charter and associate member of the Midwest Association of Theological Schools.

**1966** Work began on the construction of a new building on the farmland across the road from the original monastery (current building pictured above).

**1968** The new building was completed. Dedication took place December 8, 1968. The Knights of Columbus Trinity Council #4580 began its association with Sacred Heart School of Theology, a relationship that continues yet today.

## **“Welcome” to Franklin’s Newest Restaurant!**

**Gus’ Mexican Cantina**

**Garden Plaza Shopping Center  
6514 South Lovers Lane Road  
Highway 100, North of Rawson Ave.**



## **St. James Catholic Church 7219 S. 27th Street, Franklin *Celebrating 150 Years***



St. James Catholic Church is culminating its 150th Anniversary with a special Mass on **Sunday, December 2nd**, at 10 a.m. with Bishop Richard Sklba presiding. A luncheon will follow.

Parishioners, previous pastors and employees, and graduates of the grade school are welcome to attend. Contact the Parish Office at 414-761-0480 to receive your invitation.



**Transpak Corporation and Proteus Packaging.** The Grand Opening for this new business campus, located in the Franklin Business Park, took place in August 2007. Together, the two companies provide employment for approximately 200 workers from Franklin and surrounding communities.

warehousing and logistics. Proteus Packaging (formerly known as Beck Carton) designs and manufactures packaging for a variety of well-known companies, including Abbott Labs and SC Johnson.

Transpak Corporation packages products and manages large overseas shipments, including



### **Budget (Continued from Page 1)**

- Provides for the implementation and funding of GASB 45 Post Employment Benefits in accordance with new accounting rules established by the organization that sets them for local governments.
- Anticipates sewer rates to cover the cost of sewer operations and the expected large increases from MMSD stemming from their public safety and environmental protection initiatives.

The Mayor's recommended budget ensures that all City departments and the services they provide to the citizens of Franklin will be continued, and it strives to ensure that no employee of the City will be laid-off. It covers all costs related to wage and benefit increases mandated under the State of Wisconsin's Interest/Arbitration Law. Increases in Health Insurance continue to rise by 12% to 15%. The high price of oil and gas has also called for an increase in operating expenditures.

The Finance Committee, a seven member committee comprised of three Aldermen and four citizen representatives, has reviewed the Mayor's budget and recommends approval of the budget with minor modification.

Two commissions are being proposed for dissolution, as recommended by a private consultant, due to an ever increasing workload on staff and to more appropriately tend to customer requests to the City Development Department. The task of managing the Comprehensive Master Plan for the City as well as the administration of the 27th Street Corridor Project were put into place without the addition of any new staff and this has caused retention and recruitment problems in the City Development Department. Rather than significantly increasing taxes, it is recommended that a reorganization of the Environmental Commission and the Economic Development Commission take place and that a Conservation Committee and an Economic Development Committee be put in place without the assistance of staff support. Both new committees will report directly to the Mayor. The Mayor has specific projects such as the clean-up of the Root River and the establishment of a conservation zone west of 112th Street that requires the assistance of citizen members. The Mayor also wishes to have an Economic Development Committee established that will assist the Mayor in recruiting and retaining businesses in Franklin and will help businesses navigate the many hurdles found in the planning and permitting process.

The Common Council is scheduled to hold a public hearing on the evening of November 5, 2007, and to consider adoption of a final 2008 Budget the following evening, November 6th. Additional information is available at the Franklin Public Library, the City Clerk's Office, and on the City Website at [www.franklinwi.gov](http://www.franklinwi.gov) under the Finance Department.

## **2008 Election Update**



### **Important Dates**

February 19, 2008	Spring & Presidential Preference Primary
April 1, 2008	Spring Election
September 9, 2008	Partisan Primary Election
November 4, 2008	General Election

### **Municipal Elected Offices**

At the April 1, 2008 Spring Election, the following municipal offices will be on the ballot:

#### **3-year term for Mayor & 3-year term for 3rd District Alderman, 4th District Alderman, and 6th District Alderman**

The annual salary for the office of Mayor is \$16,800 plus \$4,800 for mileage and expenses, and the annual salary for the office of Alderman is \$7,200 plus \$1,800 for mileage and expenses. Nomination papers for the above-listed offices can be circulated beginning December 1, 2007, and must be filed in the Office of the City Clerk (along with other documents) no later than 5 p.m. on January 2, 2008. If you are interested in obtaining the documents required for these offices or would like additional information on the election process, contact the City Clerk's Office at 425-7500.

### **Poll Workers**

If you are available during all 4 elections listed for 2008 and are interested in working at a polling location as an Inspector of Election (poll worker), contact the City Clerk's Office at 425-7500.

### **Polling Locations**

Aldermanic District 1 Franklin City Hall 9229 W. Loomis Rd.	Aldermanic District 4 Milw. Co. Sports Complex 6000 W. Ryan Rd.
Aldermanic District 2 Franklin Law Enforcement Ctr. 9455 W. Loomis Rd.	Aldermanic District 5 Milw. Co. Sports Complex 6000 W. Ryan Rd.
Aldermanic District 3 The Polish Center of Wisconsin 6941 S. 68th Street	Aldermanic District 6 Ken Windl Park Building 11615 W. Rawson Avenue

If you are not registered to vote, you may do so in person at City Hall during normal business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.). To register, you must provide a driver's license or other form of identification with your current address. If you have any election questions or comments, please call the City Clerk's Office at 425-7500.

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